

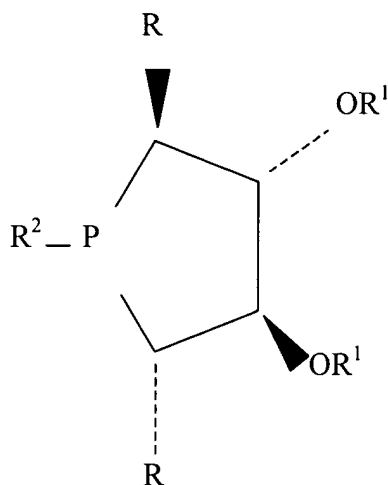
**REMARKS**

Claims 1-42 are in this application.

Claims 2-7, 10, 17-22 and 35-39 are canceled.

Claims 1, 8-9, 11-16, 23-34 and 40-42 are pending for prosecution.

Applicant has amended the claims to include subject matter that relates only to the ligands represented by the following formula and stereochemistry:



wherein the groups R, OR<sup>1</sup>, OR<sup>1</sup>, R are positioned clockwise up, down, up, and down, respectively, relative to the plane of the phospholane ring.

The R, R<sup>1</sup>, and R<sup>2</sup> groups are as defined in the claims and the specification.

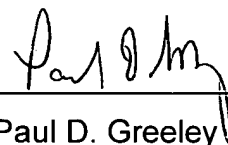
No new matter has been added.

Accordingly, the Applicant respectfully requests examination and allowance of all pending claims.

Respectfully submitted,

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